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- (1) Represent the public interest in providing solid waste collection and disposal for the district.
- (2) Provide for the establishment, operation, and maintenance of a parishwide solid waste disposal system.
- (3) Provide for the establishment, operation, and maintenance of a central waste plant, pickup stations and provide for the acquisition or lease of property necessary for waste disposal.
- (4) Make, alter, amend, and promulgate rules governing solid waste disposal.
- (5) Employ necessary personnel.
- (6) Designate rules for safekeeping funds acquired, collected, or loaned by or to the district, and provide for regular audits of the district.
- (7) Enter into agreements to procure aids and grants to assist the district.
- (8) Enter into agreements to provide for the disposal of solid waste generated outside the district.

Existing law also grants the district authority to levy taxes, subject to voter approval at an election called by the parish governing authority, and to incur debt.

New law authorizes the commission to enter into intergovernmental agreements with the governing authority of the parish or any municipality in the parish for the use of surplus funds derived from fees collected for the disposal of solid waste generated outside the district for purposes of improving and resurfacing parish roads and municipal streets and related drainage improvements. Further authorizes the commission to enter into an agreement with the parish economic development district to use such funds, not in excess of \$250,000, to pay engineering costs associated with specified highway improvements. Authorizes the commission to adopt rules governing the disbursement of such funds.

Effective upon signature of governor (July 12, 1999).

(Amends Section 4 of Act No. 289 of the 1980 R.S. as amended by Act No. 642 of the 1984 R.S.)